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3 September 1963

1. Mrs. Ruby Fallin telephoned Larry Houston and in his absence I returned her call. She said that they were planning to improve their property in some respects and were hesitant to do so without assurance that the Government had no intention of condemning their property. I assured Mrs. Fallin that, insofar as I knew, no construction or other project was in the offing which would change the decision made just a few months ago with regard to their property and that I knew of no reason why they could not continue to occupy their home indefinitely. I emphasized to her, however, that I could not commit the Agency and that I could not, of course, speak for the Government generally. She apparently had heard a rumor that CIA was going to undertake additional construction and that their property might be taken. She seemed perfectly satisfied with the information I gave her. *H*

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2. [REDACTED] telephoned me about a transportation problem which ONE is having in getting some of their clerical staff to and from work during non-duty hours. I told him that we could work out something and have assigned this job to [REDACTED].

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3. At the Executive Committee Meeting this morning the Director was greatly concerned about Colonel Grogan's illness and directed that a replacement be selected. (I have confirmed with Mr. Kirkpatrick that he does not require any assistance from the Office of Personnel at this time.)

4. I talked with John Bross about his plans to become the Director's Community Coordinator with the thought in mind that this would be the right time to reconsider the question of whether a part of those elements now assigned to the Comptroller might return to the Support structure. As a result of his experience in the Office of the Comptroller, I believe that it is John's opinion that the entire complex should be kept together. However, he thinks, as I do, that this is the right time to raise the question; and I have addressed a memorandum to this effect to General Carter. Insofar as his successor is concerned, there are apparently four choices under consideration: *H*

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a. [REDACTED] to become the Comptroller.

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b. [REDACTED] to become the Comptroller.

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c. Leave both [REDACTED] where they are and bring in someone else. ([REDACTED] has been mentioned.)

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d. Mr. Kirkpatrick to become the Comptroller, presumably in addition to his other duties as Executive Director.

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5. I asked [REDACTED] to prepare papers for Colonel Grogan to sign confirming his oral expression to apply his military service to civilian retirement and to elect maximum survivor benefits. This has been done. However, upon the assurance of [REDACTED] that there is no urgency about this, I am inclined to wait until Colonel Grogan's name is removed from the critical list before asking him to sign these papers.

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6. I met with Dick Helms and [REDACTED] to discuss [REDACTED] replacement as SSA-DD/S. We agreed that [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] were the two strongest candidates. (On 4 September Dick telephoned to express his preference for [REDACTED] is working on a cable to the field to bring Charlie back, nominate a replacement, etc.)

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7. I told Dick Helms and [REDACTED] today that I understood they planned to take [REDACTED] from the Office of Training sometime next year. Dick said that this had never been firmed up; that while Bill's assignment to [REDACTED] to replace [REDACTED] had been suggested he had not yet approved it. I explained to Dick that my purpose in mentioning this was that when Bill leaves the Office of Training it would be my hope that his replacement could become the Director of Training when Matt Baird retires and that any replacement Dick might have should be thought of in this context.

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NOTE: Memorandum of Conversation made of item 1.

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